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WISCONSIN STATE LEGISLATURE ... PUBLIC HEARING - COMMITTEE RECORDS

2005-06

(session year)

Senate

(Assembly, Senate or Joint)

Committee on Natural Resources and Transportation...

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Senate

Record of Committee Proceedings

Committee on Natural Resources and Transportation

Assembly Bill 510

Relating to: special or seasonal weight limitations for certain vehicles transporting agricultural crops.

By Representatives Petrowski, Gronemus, Albers, Ballweg, Boyle, Davis, Gunderson, Hahn, Hines, Krawczyk, LeMahieu, Loeffelholz, Lothian, McCormick, Mursau, Musser, Nerison, Ott, Owens, Pettis, Strachota, Towns, Townsend, Van Roy and M. Williams; cosponsored by Senators Kedzie, A. Lasee, Olsen, Roessler, Breske and Brown.

September 30, 2005 Referred to Committee on Natural Resources and Transportation.

October 20, 2005 **PUBLIC HEARING HELD**

Present: (5) Senators Kedzie, Stepp, Kapanke, Wirsch and
Breske.

Absent: (0) None.

Appearances For

- Neal Kedzie — Senator, 11th Senate District
- Jerry Petrowski — Representative, 86th Assembly District
- Ron Kuehn — WI Pork Association, WI Cattlemen's Association
- John Petty — Wisconsin Agri Service Association
- Jeff Lyon — Wisconsin Farm Bureau
- David Vieth — Wisconsin Department of Transportation

Appearances Against

- None.

Appearances for Information Only

- None.

Registrations For

- None.

Registrations Against

- Ed Huck — Wisconsin Alliance of Cities

November 3, 2005

EXECUTIVE SESSION HELD

Present: (5) Senators Kedzie, Stepp, Kapanke, Wirsch and
Breske.

Absent: (0) None.

Moved by Senator Kapanke, seconded by Senator Breske that
Assembly Bill 510 be recommended for concurrence.

Ayes: (4) Senators Kedzie, Stepp, Kapanke and Breske.

Noes: (1) Senator Wirsch.

CONCURRENCE RECOMMENDED, Ayes 4, Noes 1

Matt Phillips
Committee Clerk

Vote Record

Committee on Natural Resources and Transportation

Date: November 3, 2005

Bill Number: Assembly Bill 510

Moved by: Kapanke Seconded by: Breske

Motion: Concurrence

Committee Member

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Not Voting</u>
Senator Neal Kedzie, Chair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Senator Cathy Stepp	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Senator Dan Kapanke	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Senator Robert Wirch	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Senator Roger Breske	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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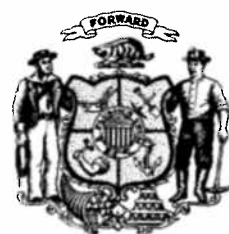
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☒ Motion Carried

☐ Motion Failed



WISCONSIN STATE LEGISLATURE



**Executive Session Notes
November 3, 2005**

Senate Bill 178

Relating to: allowing the operation of certain 2-vehicle combinations on certain highways without a permit, extending the time limit for emergency rule procedures, providing an exemption from emergency rule procedures and from rule-making procedures, and granting rule-making authority.

- MOTION FOR PASSAGE
- SECOND
- DISCUSSION
- ROLE CALL

Assembly Bill 315 (Companion bill to SB 178)

Relating to: allowing the operation of certain 2-vehicle combinations on certain highways without a permit, extending the time limit for emergency rule procedures, providing an exemption from emergency rule procedures and from rule-making procedures, and granting rule-making authority.

- MOTION FOR CONCURRENCE
- SECOND
- DISCUSSION
- ROLE CALL

Senate Bill 240

Relating to: special or seasonal weight limitations for certain vehicles transporting agricultural crops.

- MOTION FOR PASSAGE
- SECOND
- DISCUSSION
- ROLE CALL

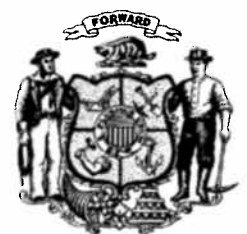
Assembly Bill 510 (Companion bill to SB 240)

Relating to: special or seasonal weight limitations for certain vehicles transporting agricultural crops.

- MOTION FOR CONCURRENCE
- SECOND
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- ROLE CALL



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Jeff Lyon

Testimony AB 510 – Fall Harvest Truck Weights – Senate Natural Resources
and Transportation Committee

October 20, 2005

Chair Kedzie and members of the Senate Natural Resources and Transportation
Committee,

My name is Jeff Lyon and I am the Director of Governmental Relations for the
Wisconsin Farm Bureau Federation.

Thank you for holding this hearing today on Assembly Bill 510, relating to
increasing the farm truck weight limits by no more than 15% during the fall
harvest. Farm Bureau supports AB 510.

Farm Bureau along with other ag groups and the Wisconsin Motor Carriers
Association have been working with the Department of Agriculture, Trade and
Consumer Protection and the Department of Transportation to develop legislation
that would allow for farm truck weight limits to increase no more than 15% during
the fall harvest.

Each fall for the past 10-15 years, an agricultural emergency has been declared
to give temporary relief to certain commodities that need to be harvested during a
short period of time and that present difficulty in estimating actual harvest weight
due to varying water contents. This legislation will resolve the annual uncertainty
in the agricultural community as to whether a harvest weight allowance will be
granted. Farm Bureau has always been appreciative of the cooperation between
the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection and the
Department of Transportation in granting this agricultural emergency.

AB 510 provides a limited 15% overweight allowance a vehicle or combination of
vehicles with a gross vehicle weight of over 50,000 pounds that are carrying
corn, soybeans, potatoes, cranberries and vegetables. This overweight
allowance lasts from September 1 through November 30 of each year and
applies *only* to trips from the field to the initial point of storage, or from the field to
the initial point of harvest.

This legislation is consistent with Farm Bureau policy that states "We recommend
that gross vehicle weight limitations on all farm trucks be permanently increased

by 15% during harvest when moving crops from the field to their first point of storage or processing on all highways."

Once again, I encourage you to support AB 510. Thank you for holding this hearing and I welcome any questions you may have.

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